GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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SIR CREEK DISPUTE
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted any joint survey to solve the Sir Creek dispute with Pakistan;

(b) if so, the details of the disputed area and the modalities worked out therefor;

(c) the outcome of the joint survey; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a)-(d) A joint survey of the pillars in the horizontal segment of the boundary in the Sir Creek area was carried out in January 2005. The survey computed the position of 38 existing pillars out of the total 67 pillars erected in 1925. On 15 January 2007, the two sides started a joint survey of the creek and adjoining areas. The joint survey is currently underway.